

A DAY FOR MOTHER EARTH



Area students celebrated Earth Day on Tuesday with a variety of activities to focus on their home planet. At top, McKenna Masters, 3, of Way Home Christian School is fascinated by water tupelos growing in a Redstone Arsenal swamp. Students from across Madison County visited the Army base for ceremonies marking Earth Day and Arbor Day. At left, Williams Elementary fourth-grader Jamar Pope and Army Col. Bob Devlin plant a tree — one of more than 20 million planted since the first Earth Day in 1970 to help replace forests destroyed by development. Above, Mary Bowser, an education technician at Redstone's Child Development Center, leads youngsters in a sing-along about a tree.

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